

HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE TECHNICIAN / AGR ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION

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SCHEDULING "USE OR LOSE" LEAVE TO AVOID FORFEITURE

EXPIRATION 8 JANUARY 2005

- 1. This TAAI is a reminder that "use or lose" annual leave must be scheduled on or before **27 November 2004** to avoid forfeiture.
- 2. The maximum amount of annual leave that can be carried forward into a new leave year is 240 hours. Federal regulations require forfeiture of annual leave in excess of 240 hours after the last day of the current leave year, which is 8 January 2005.
- 3. All Technicians should check the "use or lose" block on their current Leave and Earning Statement. If the block shows any amount of leave, an OPM-71, Request for Leave or Approved Absence, must be submitted for the amount shown as soon as possible, but not later than 27 November 2004. If a technician fails to request leave by 27 November 2004 and fails to use their use or lose annual leave prior to 8 January 2004, they will **not be entitled to have any lost leave restored.**
- 4. Submit your leave request(s) to your supervisor. Depending on workload assignments, your supervisor will determine whether your leave request can be approved for the time requested.
- 5. Annual leave can be restored in excess of the maximum leave ceiling if the leave was forfeited because of an administrative error (determined by the agency); exigency of the public business (agency determines that an exigency is of major importance and that excess annual leave cannot be used); or because of sickness (annual leave could not be scheduled because of illness or injury that was of such duration excess annual leave could not be rescheduled).
- 6. If you need additional information, contact Nancy Hamilton, Human Resources Specialist, at CAGNET 63411, DSN 466-3411 or (916) 854-3411.

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